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Applicant(s): Alvaro Laguna Atty Docket No.: 40152.0100
Serial No.: NYA Group Art Unit: NYA
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TITLE: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR
CONDUITS AND MATERIALS

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR CONDUITS AND MATERIALS, the specification of which:

[X] is attached hereto.

[] was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____ and
was amended on _____ (if applicable).

That the invention was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America for more than one year prior to this application.

That this invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months before this application.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

None		Priority Not Claimed
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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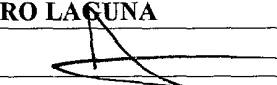
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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27 (b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR				Docket No. 40152.0100
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<p>Applicant/ ALVARO LAGUNA Patentee:</p> <p>Invention: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR CONDUITS AND MATERIALS</p>				
<p>As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled above and described in:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the specification to be filed herewith. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the application identified above. <input type="checkbox"/> the patent identified above.</p> <p>I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).</p> <p>Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No such person, concern or organization exists. <input type="checkbox"/> Each such person, concern or organization is listed below.</p> <p>*NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities (37 CFR 1.27)</p>				
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